SUBJECT No. 206.

Generating electricity at Vani Vilasa Sagara and constructing a High Level Channel.

Messrs. Narayana Chetty and Shadaksharappa, Chitaldrug District Board.

Mr. Narayana Chetty.—A scheme was prepared some years ago for constructing a High Level Channel from the Vani Vilas Sagara to supply water to adjacent taluks also, for purposes of cultivation and for generating electric power. It had been sent to the Chief Engineer and we are not aware what became of it. Since then, many more factories have been established at Davangere and the need for electric power is more insistent than ever. The late Sir Sheshadri Iyer promised facilities for generating electric power from the Vani Vilas Sagara. On this promise, we stopped other schemes. If a High Level Channel is constructed forthwith, it will not only promote irrigation but also give the people electric power.

Second Member of Council.—The cost of electric city thus generated is expected to be much more than steam or gas, and it may not suit you.

Mr. Narayana Chetty.—If the details of the scheme as to cost and probable income are given to us, we will study them and see what can be done. We can guarantee 25,000 lights.

Second Member of Council.—You may apply to the Department for details. The question of constructing a High Level Channel is under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 207.

Construction of a new tank on a high level to supply water to all the taps in Harihar town.

Mr. Krishnappa Naik, Harihar Municipality.

Mr. Krishnappa Naik.—Government very generously spent about thirty thousand rupees for the present Water Works of this town. Since the tank is situated at a lower level, water is not supplied properly. Some of the old pipes also need renewal. The income of the Municipality is Rs. 9,000 and the expenditure about Rs. 13,000. So the Municipality cannot undertake the work.

Second Member of Council.—Government do really sympathise with you. Unless the Municipality is prepared to pay the necessary contribution, it is not possible, however, for Government to take up this question. If you say that the Municipality is a poor one, you will have to see your way to increase its income.

Dewan.—This question can only be taken up for consideration, if the Municipality comes forward to pay its share of contribution.